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Nevada Highway Patrol

SAFESTAT REPORT

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Fiscal Year in Review

The Northern Command experienced a 6.3% decrease in total crashes as compared to FY07. This also includes a decrease in total fatal and injury crashes. Some of this decrease can be attributed to staffing stabilization as compared to last year. As discussed in previous status reports, the Northern Command was down several positions and was experiencing low staffing levels on high activity shifts. Each shift was required to adjust as possible and respond to those high activity areas with increased directed enforcement. During this reporting period, the shift sergeants were tasked with communicating between each other in order to facilitate the proper manning needed each day for coverage. We will take another look at the status and result at the end of the calendar year.

Overall activity was status quo with a slight change in DUI arrests at crash scenes. More roving enforcement and saturation patrols will be examined and also as fuel contingency allows. Activity during this time is still commendable as the staffing levels were on the low side and this was also a time for new arriving troopers to begin their field training.

Commercial enforcement had a noticeable decrease in numbers and activity. Some of the decrease is attributed to training and special assignments. However, there is still much work to be done with directed enforcement and mobile roving enforcement. The sergeants will be tasked with goals to meet before the end of calendar year 08 in order to measure the effectiveness of this resurrected style of enforcement. Command is also examining personnel changes and additions to the bureau in the coming months. In addition, there will be more activity in the rural areas and during different times of the day to include weekends.

Administratively, the Northern Command has seen additional numbers from the front office, court warrants and dispatch. During this year, we were able to secure another AAIL position for the Reno office that will hopefully offset some of the increases in requests for service from the public. We have also moved a position into the Carson sub-station to assist in the volume of citations accidents and arrests. This also has assisted Headquarters in some of the calls and office reports.

In all, we are encouraged in the numbers as compared to the past. As our staffing has increased and the new troopers are on board, there should be some interesting results anticipated by year end and next fiscal year.

The men and women of the Northern Command do a diligent job and put many hours of work into serving the needs of the public. Certainly without their dedication, the northern portion of this division would not be of the caliber it is today. I am very proud of the work these people do daily.

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CRASH ANALYSIS AND OVERVIEW

FISCAL YEAR (7/01/07-06/30/08)	FY 2008		FY 2007	% Change		FY 2006	% Change
Total crashes	3987		4253	-6.3%		4918	-18.9%
Property crashes [including commercial vehicles]	2806		2772	1.2%		3380	-17.0%
Injury crashes [including commercial vehicles]	1153		1447	-20.3%		1496	-22.9%
Fatal crashes [including commercial vehicles]	28		30	-6.7%		42	-33.3%
DUI crashes [DUI charged]	205		204	0.5%		232	-11.6%
Total persons killed in fatal crashes	31		35	-11.4%		47	-34.0%
Total drivers killed without seatbelts	7		16	-56.3%		17	-58.8%
Total passengers killed without seatbelts	1		5	-80.0%		4	-75.0%
Total drivers killed with seatbelts	12		7	71.4%		10	20.0%
Total passengers killed with seatbelts	7		2	250.0%		4	75.0%
Total persons killed - seatbelts not applicable	5		5	0.0%		12	-58.3%
Total number of commercial vehicle crashes	249		259	-3.9%		290	-14.1%
Property crashes involving commercial vehicle	184		183	0.5%		221	-16.7%
Injury crashes involving commercial vehicle	60		77	-22.1%		67	-10.4%
Fatal crashes involving commercial vehicle	5		5	0.0%		5	0.0%

CRASH ANALYSIS

- ✱ Percentage of fatal crashes to total crashes .7%
- ✱ Percentage of DUI crashes to total crashes 5.1%
- ✱ Percentage of persons killed *without* seatbelts to total persons killed 25.8%
- ✱ Percentage of Commercial Vehicle crashes to total crashes 6.2%
- ✱ Total crashes down 6.3 % compared to last year.
- ✱ Commercial vehicle crashes down 3.9% from last year.
- ✱ Injury crashes decreased 20.3% from last year.

FIELD ENFORCEMENT ACTIVITY

[Analysis and review of current reporting period, versus same period in previous fiscal year, versus previous reporting period]

TRAFFIC OPERATIONS	FY 2008		FY 2007	% Change		FY 2006	% Change
DUI arrests from crashes ##	218		200	9.0%		232	-6.0%
DUI arrests prior to crashes ##	1359		1351	0.6%		1111	22.3%
Other arrests	6466		6455	0.2%		5147	25.6%
Total persons arrested (DUI included) ##	2826		2933	-3.6%		2459	14.9%
Speed violations	27529		27432	0.4%		23664	16.3%
Hazardous moving violations	8750		8828	-0.9%		9083	-3.7%
Occupant restraint violations * ##	4871		4315	12.9%		4119	18.3%
Total violations [above violations included]	76405		71788	6.4%		64884	17.8%
COMMERCIAL OPERATIONS							
Hazardous moving violations - citations/arrests	223		598	-62.7%		703	-68.3%
Other traffic violations - citations/arrests	161		503	-68.0%		743	-78.3%
Total safety inspections [level 1, 2, 3, 4, & 6]	6794		7881	-13.8%		9579	-29.1%
Terminal inspections [level 5] CR only	3		18	-83.3%		19	-84.2%
Total safety violations -- citation	2725		3615	-24.6%		3776	-27.8%
Total safety violations -- repair order	21178		27156	-22.0%		30163	-29.8%
Total vehicles placed "Out of Service"	884		1170	-24.4%		1342	-34.1%
Total drivers placed "Out of Service"	944		951	-0.7%		868	8.8%
Total school buses inspected	1288		1331	-3.2%		1473	-12.6%
Total school buses placed "Out of Service"	192		140	37.1%		346	-44.5%
Total trucks weighed	6842		10280	-33.4%		6321	8.2%
Total overweight citations	303		331	-8.5%		576	-47.4%
Total dyed fuel inspections	4554		4828	-5.7%		5610	-18.8%
Total dyed fuel citations	15		22	-31.8%		23	-34.8%

OPERATIONS ANALYSIS

- ✱ Average BAC .15%
- ✱ Average age of DUI arrests: 34 1/2 years *(for the months of May/June 2008.*
- ✱ Traffic Enforcement is up 6.4% from last year and 17.8% from 2006.
- ✱ Commercial Operations, hazardous moving enforcement down 62.7% from 2007.
- ✱ Commercial vehicle safety inspections are down 13.8% from last year and 29.1% from 2006.

ADMINISTRATIVE OPERATIONS

ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES	FY 2008		FY 2007	% Change		FY 2006	% Change
COMMUNICATION CENTER							
Radio Transmissions from consoles	3289565		2044009	0.6%		-	%
CAD Incidents	106861		158236	0.3%		173206	0.3%
Telephone Calls	223184		113733	0.9%		-	%
FRONT OFFICE							
Accident Reports Processed	4455		4068	+9.51%		4832	-780%
Arrest Reports Processed	2789		2711	+2.88%		2245	+24.23%
Incident / Officer Reports Processed	214		177	+20.90%		176	+21.59%
Vehicle Impound Releases	22		19	+15.79%		-	%
Visitors at Counter	210		-	%		-	%
Crash Reports Mailed Out	\$9,576.60		-	%		-	%
Office Reports Taken	108		246	-56.10%		282	-61.70%
Citations Processed	49,717		38,125	+30.41%		44,319	+12.18%
COURT / WARRANT							
Warrants Received	15620		4291	2.6%		-	%
Warrants Entered	2757		2029	0.3%		-	%
Warrants Cleared	6453		3939	0.6%		-	%
Warrants Validated	25494		12892	0.9%		-	%
Extradition / Transports	339		-	%		-	%
EVIDENCE							
New NHP Cases Submitted	763		392	95.%		425	79.5%
New NHP Items Submitted	1446		852	70.%		665	117.%
Items Disposed	870		461	89.%		467	86.2%

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CONTRACT SERVICES

Contract Services	2008	2007	%change	2006	% change
Number of Contracts	41	63	-34.92%	67	-38.81%
Hours	2021.25	1782.38	+13.40%	1595.18	+26.71%
Amount Billed	\$137,158.35	\$116,101.12	+18.14%	\$79,732.10	+72.02%